THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SMT. SHEILA KAUL): (a) Water supply is at low pressure in the first floor quarters in Sriniwaspuri, more particularly, in those flats which are situated at the tail end of the distribuion system or at the higher elevations.

(b) and (c) Water supply to quarters is provided direct by the Delhi Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Undertaking (SWS&SDU). The existing 2 tubewells are proposed to be re-bored to greater depth to increase the yield of water. Subject to availability of raw water from neighbouring States, the Undertaking also proposes to set up a new treatment plant near Sonia Vihar.

Agreement with United Nations World Food Programme

2448. SYED SIBTEY RAZI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some agreement between India and United Nations World Food Programme for provision of $ 61 millions worth of food assistance under the l.C.D.S. scheme was arrived at;

(b) if so, the details thereof with terms of such an agreement;

(c) whether some States and Union Territories are to be covered under this agreement; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons threrfor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) Yes, Sir. The Plan of Operations was signed between Government of India and United Nation's World Food Programme (WFP), under which, WFP would provide nearly 60.7 million US dollars worth of food assistance over a period of 3 years commencing from 1st July, 1995 in support of Government's Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS).

(b) to (d) World Food Programme would provide 151,680 Metric tons of Com Soya Blend (CSB) as free gift covering about 22.00 lakh beneficiaries comprising children upto 6 years and expectant and nursing women etc. in five states of Assam, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh under ICDS.

Prime Minister's Special Programme

2449. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Kerala has applied for assistance to small and marginal farmers for infrastructural development in agriculture under Prime Minister's Programme;

(b)whether the Central Government have taken and decision thereon; and

(c)if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OFAGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The funds could not be released since the scheme has not been continued.

Acute Shortage of Residential Accommodation for Government Employees

2450. DR.SHRIKANTRAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS *&* EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an acute shortage of residential accommodation for Government Employees in Delhi;

(b) if so, the steps being taken to alleviate this situation;

(c) the budgetary allocations for this year for this purpose; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d)A total number of 112T-IV quarters are in advanced stage of construction. Construction of 925 quarters and 106 suites of hostel accommodation is programmed during 1995-%. The budget provision for the year 1995-96 for the above works is Rs. 9.36 crores.